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## **NASA CI/CT MONTHLY NEWS UPDATE – November 2016**

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### **Significant Counterterrorism (CT) Issues:**

#### **E.U. BRACES FOR WAVE OF ISLAMIC STATE FIGHTERS AFTER MOSUL BATTLE**



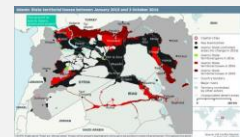
A long-awaited offensive to dislodge the Islamic State from its stronghold city of Mosul is fueling fears of renewed terrorist attacks, as European counterterrorism officials say more fighters are returning home after waging jihad in Syria and Iraq.

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/eu-authorities-brace-for-wave-of-islamic-state-fighters-after-mosul-assault/2016/10/23/175c5ac8-960e-11e6-9cae-2a3574e296a6\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/eu-authorities-brace-for-wave-of-islamic-state-fighters-after-mosul-assault/2016/10/23/175c5ac8-960e-11e6-9cae-2a3574e296a6_story.html)

#### **ISIS SUFFERS MAJOR LAND LOSSES AHEAD OF PLANNED MOSUL ASSAULT**

The U.S.-led coalition airstrikes and ground fighting have depleted the Islamic State's territory in Iraq and Syria in a big way, reportedly by 16 percent over just 9 months, a new study has found.

<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2016/10/11/isis-suffers-major-land-loss-ahead-planned-mosul-assault-report-finds.html>



#### **COUNTERTERRORISM POLICE MISHAPS LEAVES EUROPEANS WORRIED**



Which mishap by German authorities was worst? Was it that police officials monitored the Syrian suspect so poorly that neighbors noticed it? Or was it that he fled authorities while they followed him? Or lastly, the series of major mistakes by authorities ended in Al-Bakr's suicide in jail.

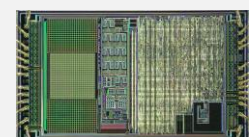
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/worldviews/wp/2016/10/13/a-series-of-counterterrorism-police-mishaps-leaves-europeans-worried/>

### **Significant Counterintelligence Issues:**

#### **THREE ARRESTED IN SCHEME TO EXPORT SENSITIVE U.S. TECH TO RUSSIA**

A U.S. citizen and two Russian nationals were arrested recently on charges relating to the alleged illegal export of sensitive military technology from the United States to Russia, the Justice Department said.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-russia-technology-idUSKCN126250?il=0>





### THREE TURKS WITH MULTIPLE US MILITARY CONTRACTS ARRESTED ON ESPIONAGE CHARGES



Three Turks have been arrested recently in the United States on espionage charges, which include "funneling military secrets out of the country," after winning numerous military contracts with the Pentagon.

[http://www.dailysabah.com/americas/2016/10/09/three-turks-who-won-multiple-us-military-contracts-arrested-on-espionage-charges?utm\\_source=360works%20cloudmail&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=newswatch](http://www.dailysabah.com/americas/2016/10/09/three-turks-who-won-multiple-us-military-contracts-arrested-on-espionage-charges?utm_source=360works%20cloudmail&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newswatch)

### CORPORATE THEFT STRIKES FORTUNE 500 OIL COMPANY IN HOUSTON

FBI agents said the man, who was captured on video inside the Houston offices of an unidentified Fortune 500 energy company, is believed to have left the offices with a backpack and shoulder bag stuffed full of company secrets.

<http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/article/FBI-seeks-public-s-help-in-suspected-corporate-9646492.php>



#### **Analyst Notes – Items to Watch:**

As the battle of Mosul begins, it is evident that ISIS will fight on in other areas as well as bringing terrorist attacks to the West. ISIS fighters have already been seen leaving the Middle East and have begun the process of making their way back to their home countries. The West will most likely suffer increased terrorist attacks from returning “jihadists” and ISIS sympathizers. Al-Qaeda (AQ) has benefitted directly from the assaults on ISIS and the group continues to “lay low,” strengthening its relationships with terrorist groups such as AQIM, AQAP and Jabhat Fateh Al-Sham. Russian espionage continues to target U.S. technology and other intelligence services continue to conduct espionage for their countries, or to sell on the open market. Although cyber espionage dominates current headlines, ordinary theft achieves the same ends by exploiting poor physical security practices. The NASA CI/CT division continues to monitor these threats and any others that have the potential to harm NASA or its equities.

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